

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device for displaying dated map data, comprising:

map storing means for storing the map data ~~of~~ for a plurality of years;

specifying means for specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;

first display editing means for reading the map data of a the specific year ~~specified by said specifying means~~ from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed ~~in the first display mode as a first display data~~;

second display editing means for reading map data of a different year ~~other than that of the year specified by said specifying means~~ from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed ~~in the second display mode as a second normal display data~~; and

displaying means for displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a different year ~~first display data edited by said first display editing means and the second display data edited by said second display editing means in a superposing manner~~;

wherein the edited map data from the specific year and the edited map data from the different year are superposed on said displaying means.

Claim 2 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 1, wherein ~~as the map data other than that of the year specified by said specifying means, from the different year includes the latest map data is read out.~~

Claim 3 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 1, wherein ~~when among data items included in the map data, includes at least one emphasized a data item to be displayed with emphasis specified by said specifying means, and the displaying means displays both emphasized data items and normal data items is specified by said specifying means, said first display editing means functions as an emphasis display editing means and edits only the specified data item to be emphasis display data, and other data items to be normal display data.~~

Claim 4 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 3, wherein ~~the data item specified by said specifying means is one selected from the emphasized data items include~~ road information, facility information, address information ~~and or~~ telephone number information.

Claim 5. (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 1, wherein ~~when among data items included in the map data, a data item to be displayed in the normal display mode is specified by said specifying means, said second display editing means functions as a normal display editing means and edits only the specified data item to be normal display data, and other data items to be weak display data the map data includes data items and said displaying means displays emphasized data items in a visually weakened state.~~

Claim 6. **(Currently Amended)** A navigation device according to claim 5, wherein the data ~~item specified by said specifying means is one selected from items~~ include road information, facility information, address information and or telephone number information.

Claim 7 **(Canceled)**

Claim 8 **(Currently Amended)** A navigation device for displaying dated map data, comprising:

map storing means for storing the map data from ~~of~~ a plurality of years;

specifying means for specifying map data of a specific a year to be displayed;

first editing means for reading map data of the specific year ~~specified by said specifying means~~ from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed ~~display data~~;

second editing means for reading map data of a different year ~~other than that of the year specified by said specifying means~~ from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed ~~display data~~; and

displaying means for displaying the ~~display data edited by said first editing means~~ edited map data of a specific year in a first display area, and the ~~display data edited by said second editing means~~ edited map data of a different year in a second display area.

Claim 9 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 8, wherein ~~as the map data other than that of the year specified by said specifying means, from the~~ different year includes the latest map data ~~is read out.~~

Claim 10 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 1, further comprising: searching means for searching, ~~when a year and a data item are specified by said specifying means,~~ an updated portion of the map data based on the specified year and a data item.

Claim 11 (**Currently Amended**) A navigation device according to claim 10, wherein the data item ~~specified by said specifying means is one selected from~~ includes road information, facility information, address information ~~and~~ or telephone number information.

Claim 12 (**New**) A method for displaying dated map data from a navigation device, comprising the steps of:

- storing the map data for a plurality of years;
- specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;
- reading the map data of the specific year from the stored map data;
- editing the map data of the specific year to be displayed;
- reading map data of a different year from the stored map data;
- editing the map data of the different year to be displayed; and
- displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a

different year;

wherein the edited map data from the specific year and the edited map data from the different year are superposed on a display.

Claim 13 (~~New~~) A method for displaying dated map data from a navigation device, comprising the steps of:

storing the map data for a plurality of years;

specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;

reading the map data of the specific year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the specific year to be displayed;

reading map data of a different year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the different year to be displayed; and

displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a different year;

wherein the edited map data of a specific year is displayed in a first display area, and the edited map data of a different year is displayed in a second display area.